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Humidity " 84. " 71.

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TELEGRAMS.

AVIATORS' QUARREL. DUEL DECLINED.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]
London, Received February 17.
Reuter's Paris correspondent says the seconds of M. Quinton decline to consider a duel with M. Vedrines on the ground that the latter refused satisfaction to M. Roux whom he publicly insulted at Cairo.
M. Vedrines, replying, said he refused to fight Roux because the latter did not consent to the constitution of the jury of honour. If he did not fight Quinton he could not be accused of lack of courage.

THE COLE CASE.

REVIVED IN PARLIAMENT.

London, Received February 18.
During question time in the House of Commons, Earl Winterton, Unionist M.P. for Horsham, suggested the withdrawal of the deportation of the Hon. Mr. Galbraith Cole from East Africa.
Mr. Harcourt replied that for the present it was not proposed to reopen the matter.

THE MEAT STRIKE.

MORE TROUBLE LIKELY.

London, Received February 18.
Reuter's correspondent at Melbourne states that the slaughtermen have resumed work, the Municipality agreeing to do the cleansing of the abattoirs.
Butchers' employees are now demanding 78/- for 48 hours work, and consequently another strike is most probable.
Reuter's correspondent at Sydney states that there are 4,000 workers at present idle there.

SWEDISH CABINET.

London, Received February 17.
Reuter's correspondent at Stockholm says Baron Hammarskjöld has formed a Cabinet with himself as Minister of War.

IMMIGRATION QUESTION.

PRESIDENT WILSON'S INTENTIONS.

London, Received February 18.
Reuter's correspondent at New York states that President Wilson will veto the Immigration Bill if presented for signature containing the literacy test.

WALES NOW.

HOME RULE WANTED.

London, Received February 18.
Sir Albert Mond, Liberal M.P. for Swansea Town, is to move an amendment to the address in favour of Home Rule for Wales.

NEW APPOINTMENT.

London, Received February 18.
Mr. Charles Roberts, Liberal M.P. for Lincoln City, has been appointed Under Secretary for India.

FRENCH DEFENCES.

London, Received February 18.
Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that the Chamber has adopted both the Army and Navy Estimates.

TELEGRAMS.

MARCONI SCANDAL.

LORD MURRAY'S REGRETS.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]
London, Received February 18.
In the House of Lords, Lord Murray made a personal statement concerning the American Marconi transactions. He said the facts were known. Any error he had made was one of judgment and not of intention. He next dealt with the question of purchasing the American Marconi shares for the Liberal Party. These, he said, were bought in open market. He freely admitted that there was good ground for criticism by the party, but it was believed at the time that the purchase would prove sound and remunerative. He fully admitted the error of judgment and regretted this, as well as the purchases for his private account. He had, as far as in him lay, assumed the burden of taking over the shares at a very large personal loss, and he emphatically stated that none of his colleagues were acquainted with the purchase. He had not informed Mr. Illingworth of the matter and only informed the Party's solicitors. He affirmed that there was nothing dishonourable in these transactions, but on reflection he considered his course of action was not wise nor correct, and he deeply regretted it.
On Lord Lansdowne's suggestion, the discussion was adjourned until Thursday.

STORY OF AN INVASION.

How Scotland was Saved by The Thistle.

Few plants have been more imperfectly understood than the thistle. Yet the natural glory of the canny Scot is in the thistle emblem which marks the motherland from the rest of the world. The Scottish poet stands by his native flower as he would by the home of his birth.
For the love of the maiden, the praise of the free.
For the blessings that father and mother will give.
For the homes that are dear both to you and to me.
We'll stand by the auld Scotch Thistle.

When the Danes invaded Scotland—so the story goes, according to a writer in *Countryside*—they fought only in daylight and scorned to take advantage of the enemy under cover of darkness. A decisive struggle was pending. The Danish front was approaching the Scottish camp just before daylight, when a halt was made for the next day's onslaught.

As morning dawned, every Dane stripped his foot-gear, and clambered silently over the heather and furze to where the Scots lay sleeping. One of the scouts, well ahead of his fellows, was spotting the "weak points" of the camp when he tripped on a prickly thistle and set up a vigorous howl. The Scots awoke, called to arms, charged upon the bootless invaders and routed them to a man. Never more did the Danish army venture on Scottish soil. The thistle saved the nation, as the goose saved Rome.

The arms of Scotland are emblazoned with the spiked invulner which speaks to all in significant words, "Nemo me impune lacessit" (No one touches me with impunity) or to put it in broad Scotch—"Ye maun meddle wi' me."

From John o' Groat's to the Mull of Galloway the order of the thistle prevails in all its pristine dignity. Even if despised and cut down as a useless weed, the thistle can at least lay claim to a place in British history such as is held by no plant save the rose and the shamrock.

Referring to the chosen flower of his nation, Graham says:—
Proud Thistle, dear to Scots and sons.

TELEGRAMS.

BRITISH RAILWAYMEN.

A SLUR RESENTED.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]
London, Received February 17.
Lord Claud Hamilton's recent reference to the dearth of British railwaymen competent to fill positions as General Managers has excited numerous protests in the columns of the Press on the subject.
Sir Sam Fay, the General Manager of the Great Central Railway, in a letter, vigorously replies to Lord Claud Hamilton, and says the slur cast on British railwaymen is as uncalled-for as it is unfair.

KING OF BELGIUM.

ACCIDENT WHITE RIDING.

London, Received February 18.
Reuter's correspondent at Brussels states that the King was riding in the morning in the forest of Soignes when his horse stumbled over a stone and fell, with the King. His Majesty's left arm was broken and the fracture was later set. His condition is satisfactory.

ENCIRCLING WHITE WOLF.

Government Anticipate a Clean Sweep.

Peking, Feb. 2nd.
The military authorities here state that White Wolf, with his main body of brigands, is now in comparatively open ground to the east of the Peking-Hankow railway, and that the operations are designed to prevent their return to the mountainous region of south-west Honan, where it would be extremely difficult to reduce them.

Five thousand of General Chang Huan's troops under two of his best generals, will participate in the hunt. A report from Hanchow-fu states that the soldiers have departed with more dollars than bullets. General Chang Huan himself will remain in the background.

The Government anticipate that the country will be swept clean of White Wolf in two months—rather a modest estimate of the power of 40,000 Chinese regulars to deal with 5,000 brigands.

A Brigand Success.
Hankow, Feb. 11.
According to very reliable information received here, a band of 1,500 brigands defeated the Government troops to-day some distance to the north-west of Sinyangchow, killing 200 soldiers. The brigands were led by a chief named Ting Wang.

It has been definitely proved that Shui Peh-chuan and Lieh Yu-shan, the rebel leaders who were executed on Tuesday, intended to instigate a revolt, which was only prevented by their execution.

The Tathu is feeling apprehensive with regard to the situation. Three hundred Northern troops under Tsai Pao-shan arrived here to-day. One thousand of Chang Huan's men are here, but they are thought to be unreliable. Two thousand more of Chang Huan's troops are reported to be having badly at Taipingfu and are causing anxiety to the authorities.—N. C. D. News.

TELEGRAMS.

HOME POLITICS.

GOVERNMENT'S FLIGHT.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]
London, Received February 17.
The Government majority fell to 62, when the House of Commons rejected the anti-Welsh Disestablishment amendment to the Address, the figures being 279 to 217.
A Tariff Reform amendment, urging Imperial Preference, without the taxation of food stuffs, and imposing a tax of 10 per cent. on foreign manufactures, was rejected by 283 to 209, a Government majority of 74.

Tariff Reform.

London, Received February 18.
During the debate on the tariff amendment to the Address, Sir S. O. Buckmaster, on behalf of the Government, ridiculed the "anemic proposal".
Mr. Bonar Law, supporting the amendment, said the Belgian system was approximately the system the Opposition would carry out on their return to power. They would give Colonial farmers everything they asked for.

SPORTS ON SHAMEN.

Canton Customs Recreation Club.

The Canton Customs Recreation Club held their inaugural sports on the Football ground, Shamien, on Thursday last, when a large number of residents and visitors responded to the Committee's invitation. The ground was prettily decorated by the Committee, most ably assisted by Mr. Anderson and the crew of the R. L. Fumantai, the green and gold of the Customs' colours forming the background of a charming spectacle.

A start was made at 11.30 a.m. with a tug of war between the Gunboats, resulting in a victory for U.S.S. "Callao," who were, however, given a stiff tussle in the final with H.M.S. "Moorhen". The half-mile flat race for the handsome "San Miguel" cup which was won by Mr. McLorn and the putting the shot which Mr. Cross won, concluded the forenoon events.

After tiffin a most interesting programme was provided and good form was shown by some of the competitors; the finals of both the sprints being especially noteworthy. Mr. McLorn won the long jump with a fine leap of 17 feet 6 inches. Mr. Diner being 1 ft 7 ins behind. The Customs were victorious in the residents' tug of war, but they were beaten by the "Callao" in the challenge round for the shield presented by the Customs Club. Mrs. Mensing won the ladies race for Mrs. Davenport, and the fastest veteran was Mr. Clarkson who defeated Mr. Becke by inches only.

The good work of the ladies Committee now made itself evident and under their excellent supervision a dainty tea was served during the afternoon. After the races were over, the prizes were distributed by Mrs. Carey who was thanked and presented with a bouquet by the President of the Club, Mr. S. W. Maze.

Cheers for the ladies closed the afternoon, which was described by one of the oldest residents on the Shamien as the most successful sports meeting he had witnessed there. It is hoped that it will take place annually.

Following is the list of prizewinners:—
Tug of War (Gunboats):—U.S.S. Callao.
100 Yards, Heats:—1, Woods; 2, Beckett; 1, Gunston; 2, McLorn.
Back Race:—1, Lyons; 2, Jones.

TELEGRAMS.

BALKAN SETTLEMENT.

GRAND VIZIER'S BELIEF.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]
London, Received February 18.
Reuter's correspondent at Constantinople states that the Grand Vizier, on receiving the diplomatists' reaffirmed the Porte's resolve to respect the decisions of the Powers. He believed the next step would be the retrocession of the islands occupied by Italy, which would be effected as soon as Italy obtains the railway concessions in Asia Minor for which negotiations are proceeding between Italy and the Smyrna Aidin Railway. Direct negotiations would then follow with a view to exchanging them for Chios and Mitylene.

THE OLYMPIC GAMES.

London, Received February 18.
The Reichstag has passed the Olympic Games contribution.

Long Jump:—1, McLorn; 2, Diner.
Girls Race:—1, Miss Noronba; 2, Miss Clarkson; 3, Miss Danenburgh; 4, Miss Cameron.
Boys Race:—1, Master Davenport; 2, Master Danenburgh; 3, Master Remedios.

100 Yards Final:—1, Beckett; 2, Woods.
Tug of War (Residents):—Customs.
Egg and Spoon Race (Ladies):—1, Mrs. Mensing; 2, Mrs. Davenport.

Putting the Shot:—1, Cross; 2, Sandberg.
Potato Race:—1, Gunston; 2, Cross.

440 Yards:—1, Beckett; 2, Woods.

3 Legged Race and Boot Melée:—1, Walter and Bradley; 2, Goldman and Froelich.
Half Mile:—1, McLorn; 2, McLorn; 3, Utting.

Ladies Nomination:—1, Miss V. Connor, (Mr. Gumprecht); 2, Mrs. Shregardus, (Mr. Schluter).

Tug of War Championship:—U.S.S. Callao.
Veterans' Race:—1, Clarkson; 2, Becke; 3, Williams.
Relay Race:—1, Consul Cadets; 2, Customs.

CHINA'S NEW STANDARD COIN.

Decimal System Followed in National Currency Regulations.

The National Currency Law, together with the regulations for its enforcement, promulgated by a Presidential order on the 7th inst., has now been translated and the text made available. There are to be four silver coins, from the dollar (rechristened the Yuan) to the ten cent piece; a nickel five cent piece and five copper coins, from two cents to one li.

Extracts from the articles of the new law follow:—
The unit of the national coins shall be called Yuan and the Yuan shall contain six mace four candareens and eight li (kuping weight), or 23,977,950.48 grammes of pure silver.

The value of the national coin shall be in decimal progression. One tenth of a Yuan shall make a chiao, or a 10 cent piece; one hundredth one fen, or cent, and one thousandth one li. One yuan shall have a gross weight of 2/ candareens, with 90 per cent silver and 10 per cent copper.

The ratio of the difference between the weight of each silver coin and that of the legal tender shall not exceed 3-1000. The ratio of the difference between the total weight of 1,000 pieces of the silver coins and the legal weight of that amount of coins shall not exceed 3-10,000. The ratio of the difference between the fineness of any piece of silver coin and the legal fineness shall not exceed 3-1000.

TELEGRAMS.

NEW YORK BLIZZARD.

RAILWAYS INTERRUPTED.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]
London, Received February 17.
Reuter's New York correspondent says the blizzard has been renewed, and has interrupted the railways.
The Fire Commissioner has warned the citizens to take extra precautions against fire as the Fire Brigade is practically snowed up.

Liner Ashore.

The French liner Roma, with 418 passengers on board, has notified by wireless telegraphy that she has gone ashore in the blizzard at No Man's Land, Massachusetts, and that she is pounding heavily.

The Roma has been re-floated, and is proceeding to New York.

The Government consent to coin 1 yuan silver pieces for these who give to it silver bullion and 6 li per yuan shall be charged as minting fee.

The Government shall exchange the silver dollars coined by the old mints with the national coins and remit the dollars. Within a certain period, the old dollar shall possess the same value as the yuan, but as to the length of that period, a Provisional Order shall be issued to fix it.

The Government shall recall all the old silver pieces of the different denominations, old copper pieces and remint them, but within a certain fixed period, the coins shall be allowed to be circulated at the market prices.

GLADSTONE AND CHAMBERLAIN.

Notable Parliamentary Scenes Recalled.

Mr. T. P. O'Connor has some interesting reminiscences in *T. P.'s Weekly* of Mr. Gladstone and Mr. Chamberlain. One scene, which he described at the time, has passed now into history. He writes:—

"I know no ordeal that can be more trying to a father than to hear his son deliver his maiden speech in the House of Commons; and I have rarely seen it happen in the House without feeling something like pity for both. I saw Mr. Gladstone go through it when his son Herbert was making his first speech; and then I saw Mr. Chamberlain passing through the same terrible strain. But Mr. Gladstone, seated below his son, nodded every now and then in assent to his son's words, and with his venerable bent head and benign face he never looked to me more wonderful and attractive. All the fierce resolution and the almost affrighting strength of the brilliant black eyes and the firm mouth had given way to a soft tenderness, as though a sky rent with thunder and storm had suddenly become soft with the dying light of sunset.

"Mr. Chamberlain managed to restrain any departure from the usual impassivity of his countenance when he was listening to his son; it was Mr. Gladstone that unlocked the tense excitement so carefully hidden from every eye. Alluding, some time after, to young Mr. Chamberlain's speech, Mr. Gladstone paused to congratulate Mr. Chamberlain on the satisfaction to a father's heart which such a promising beginning must bring. The effect on Mr. Chamberlain was immediate and striking. His face became almost womanly, and he suddenly drew his hand across his eyes; it was the first vision of the inner Chamberlain that the House of Commons ever saw; and so far as I know, the last."

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

TELEGRAMS.

CONDENSED.

There are 4,000 people idle in Sydney.

A serious blizzard is interrupting the railways in New York.

Baron Hammarskjöld has formed a new Swedish Cabinet.

The Reichstag has passed the Olympic Games contribution.

If it contains the literacy test, President Wilson will veto the Immigration Bill.

In the House of Commons the Government majorities have fallen very low.

M. Quinton's seconds decline to consider a duel with M. Vedrines.

The King of Belgium broke an arm while riding, through his horse falling.

Mr. Charles Roberts, M.P., has been appointed Under Secretary for India.

Mr. Bonar Law says the Unionists favour the Belgian tariff system.

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The slaughtermen have resumed at Melbourne, but there is prospect of a strike of butchers' employees.

Lord Murray has made a long personal statement in the House of Lords concerning the Marconi transactions.

Messrs. Hall and Holtz' bakery and furniture store at Shanghai has been burned, the damage totalling Tls. 125,000.

NEWS.

Ladies Day drew a large attendance to the Races to-day.

Last night a successful concert was given at the Seamen's Institute.

A special article on bad starting at the Races appears to-day.

The Maud Allan concert at the Theatre Royal last night was a great success.

The inaugural sports arranged by the Canton Customs Club are reported in this issue.

The annual report of the Hongkong Auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society is given to-day.

The Indo-China S. N. Company's steamer Wingsang and the N.Y.K. steamer Jinsen Maru collided off Cape Collinson yesterday.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.
Maud Allan at Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Ball at Government House.
Saturday February 21.
A. D. C. Performance Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.

Wednesday, February 25.
Hongkong Hotel Shareholders Meeting—12.30 p.m.

Thursday, February 26.
Annual meeting Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.—noon.
A. D. C. Performance, Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.

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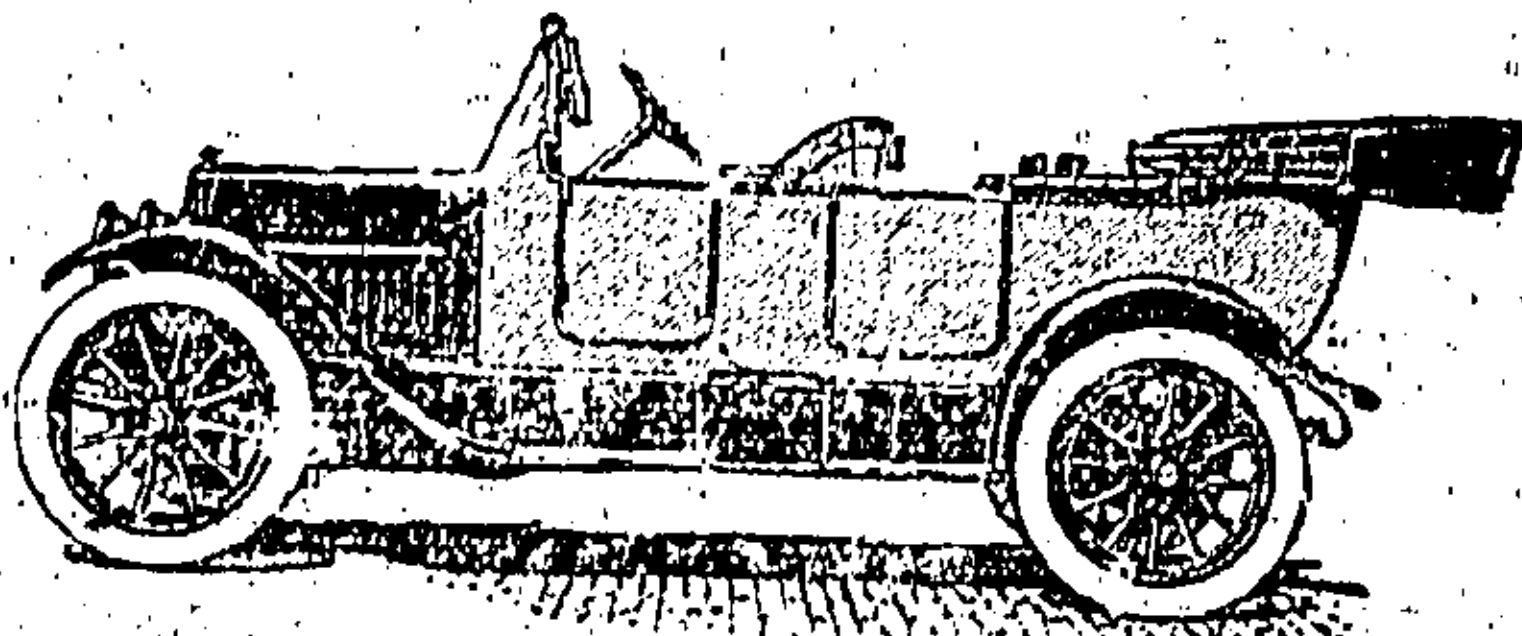
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Daily Press.

The Likin Question.

We can understand China's reluctance to abolish *likin*—for this source of revenue brings into the Treasury a sum of about thirty million dollars annually—but a bold defence of the piracy of foreign books and foreign trade-marks is something that one does not expect to hear from an accredited emissary of the Finance Department. Not the least important feature of the meeting was the denunciation of *likin* by Chinese merchants. The Delegate was asked to note that the levying of this tax dates no farther back than the Taiping Rebellion, and that the reason for its introduction was that it was deemed necessary to find employment for superfluous officials. They do not now object so much to the tax as to the gigantic "squeeze" to which its collection gives rise. When we see the Chinese themselves demanding the abolition of *likin* we are encouraged to hope that this most serious handicap to trade and commerce is destined to be removed before many years pass.

China Mail.

China in London.

Recently in the course of an able article in the *Globe*, Mr. A. Corbett-Smith had some interesting observations to make on the fashion for things Chinese prevalent at present in London. He says that nearly thirty years have gone by—though it seems but yesterday—since "The Mikado" was drawing all London to the Savoy, and proved in some degree responsible for that characteristic of the period. London had "discovered" Japan; or perhaps, more correctly, what London thought was Japan. This year we have "discovered" China, but on this occasion London may be satisfied that it is really China, and not a production created by the Chinese solely for the European market. It is always a little difficult to account for the origin of a fashion, in the present case most people would probably attribute it to the recent Revolution, and the supposed opening-up of new markets and enterprises in the Far East. More romantic is the theory that the actual origin dates from the looting of Peking in 1900, when so many treasures of Chinese Art found their way to Europe. These have been carefully guarded by their fortunate owners, but their beauties have gradually come to appeal to an ever-widening circle, and now, with the direct impetus of the opening-up of a new China, which is very old, the fashion springs into being.

GENERAL NEWS

No Sunday Shows.

An Act passed by the South Australian Parliament provides for the licensing of all places of public entertainment, enclosed or otherwise. Persons opening any place without a licence are liable to a penalty of £100. With regard to Sunday entertainments, no play may be opened without the consent of the Minister, under a penalty of £100, and this consent may be suspended or cancelled at any time. For permission to hold a public entertainment in a licensed place on Christmas Day or Good Friday it will also be necessary to obtain the consent of the Minister, and any breach of this clause makes the person holding the entertainment, or the proprietor of the hall, liable to a penalty of £50. The Minister has the power to prohibit any performance which in his opinion might offend against public morality.

An Extraordinary Disease.
How hysterical patients sometimes, under the influence of hallucinations, "crow like cats, mew like cats, or arch their backs like salmon," was described in the course of an interesting paper read by Dr. T. R. Glynn, of Liverpool, before the Royal College of Surgeons, London. From his remarks, it appears that the ailment still baffles the attempt of medical men in the quest of a satisfactory definition. It is further the source of many misleading symptoms; thus a hysterical patient may show all the marks of true heart disease though the latter is completely absent. Hysteria may also be combined with epilepsy, and give rise to the well known epileptic seizures or the fits which are common to both may assert themselves consecutively. In few, if any, of the cases described by Dr. Glynn did the patient show any attempt to fraud or deception, but it was found that the sufferers were peculiarly liable to suggestion from outside, and might thus mislead the unwary practitioner.

Naval Scandal in Ceylon.
The Times of Ceylon, of January 27, says:—Authentic particulars were available to-day in connection with the rumour spread for the past few days that there had been a desertion from one of the warships in harbour. A representative of this paper to-day obtained the most reliable information on the subject. It appears that early this week Fleet Paymaster George H. Cole, of H.M.S. Hampshire, who had served his time on the China Station and had been transferred to the Europa for passage home, was found missing. Local enquiries were made, the police taking the matter up. A clue was discovered by which the paymaster was suspected of having crossed over to India by the Tuticorin mail boat. Working on this premise, it would appear that the police were successful, and two days ago a lieutenant and six marines of the Europa went across to South India, and, according to latest information available, will be returning to Colombo to-morrow morning by the Tuticorin boat with the paymaster.

Long Hair.
In the year 1102, at a council held in London by Bishop Anselm, it was enacted that those who had long hair should be cropped so as to show part of the ears and the eyes. We may suppose from this that the men of that date wore their hair much as women have done of late, the ears being covered and the eyes partly eclipsed. It is said that a Bishop, preaching before King Henry I. of England and his Court, inveighed so successfully against the iniquity of long locks that his audience saw the folly of their ways, and the prelate, seizing this favourable opportunity, produced a pair of scissors from his sleeve, and cropped not only the courtiers' heads, but that of the King himself, with his own hands. Beards, it appears, were not worn by the Normans at the time of the Conquest, although in fashion among the Anglo-Saxons. Among the English, however, beards were retained, and became a sort of protest against the new dynasty. In 1198, William Longbeard became conspicuous for his opposition to Norman rule, the inveteracy of which was manifested by the excessive length of his beard.

BREACH OF PROMISE CASE.

Gustav Siemer v. Mrs. Clunies Ross.

The breach of promise of marriage action at the instance of Gustav Siemer against Mrs. Clunies Ross, widow of the late Governor of the Cocos and Keeling Islands, (which was mentioned in a special cable to the Telegraph on the 10th inst.) was commenced in the Supreme Court this morning before the Chief Justice, Sir W. J. Henderson.

Opening his case, Mr. Tozer explained to his lordship this was a case for breach of contract, not of a commercial contract, but one of a much more delicate and serious nature—namely breach of contract of matrimony. The parties met at the Van Wijk Hotel, where plaintiff was then secretary and where defendant came as a guest in September 19, 1912, and stayed till November 2 of the same year. They were introduced by the manager, Mr. van Rooij, an acquaintance sprang up; they liked each other; liking ripened into affection and affection into love. "Anyhow," said Mr. Tozer, "they became engaged." This was not a boy and girl episode. Both parties had been married before, plaintiff being a widower and defendant a widow. Both were still young but nevertheless ought to know their own minds. Both knew the intricacies of married life and their marriage ought to have been happy. Plaintiff was a man of rather retiring disposition and the lady was, counsel was told, rather bold. According to counsel's instructions, it was she who broached the subject of matrimony and she made the offer, saying she had had a rich husband and she now wanted to marry a poor man whom she could trust to look after her business affairs. She was a lady of considerable property and plaintiff, "of course," naturally consented to marry her, after a waiting a few days. She was going to England in March, 1913, and wanted plaintiff to go with her, but he could not as he was under agreement to the Van Wijk Hotel Co. She was going home to sell a house in Brighton which belonged to her and the marriage was arranged to take place in Singapore on her return. All the people in the hotel and all their friends looked upon them as an engaged couple. They went about together and when the lady left the Van Wijk Hotel and took a house at 363 Serangoon Road she received plaintiff many times as her betrothed. They saw each other nearly every day.

End of the Engagement.
A large number of letters passed between them; defendant had

destroyed those which plaintiff wrote to her, but he had kept some of hers, 37 in number, some of which were "of the most pathetic, sweet nature you could think of." No lady would write letters of the kind unless to the man she was going to marry. She went to England accompanied by Mrs. Olsen in March 1913, and both she and Mrs. Olsen wrote to plaintiff from Sabang and Colombo. Then correspondence ceased. Plaintiff wrote to the lady at the Brighton address she had given him. Shortly after she left Singapore plaintiff was arrested and charged with criminal breach of trust of the hotel moneys. That unfortunate case went on for several weeks and as plaintiff was not in a position to get bail he was kept in the Civil Prison till in May he was acquitted of the charge. Defendant came back to Singapore in November 1913 and went to reside in her house in Barnard Road, and for a few days plaintiff did not know of her return. He was then working in Anderson's Hotel—a small tavern in Robinson Road—where he was still. Hearing from one of the Van Wijk Hotel runners that Mrs. Ross had returned, plaintiff asked Mr. Anderson, on going out one evening, to call on Mrs. Ross. Mr. Anderson did so and Mrs. Ross told him that she wanted to have nothing more to do with Siemer, that she had been advised by a solicitor in London only to marry a man of equal income to her own. Mr. Anderson brought back that message to plaintiff who then wrote a letter, a most pathetic letter, which he sent through an hotel clerk named Nouis to Mrs. Ross. Nouis would tell the court that defendant told him also that she would not marry plaintiff and she sent back plaintiff's letter by Nouis. This man was rather an important witness as he would state that on one occasion Mrs. Ross said to him her friends were all against her marriage with Siemer because he was poor but she would marry him, although she could marry many rich men.

The lady, continued counsel, had given plaintiff presents of a gold ring, a dressing case and two beautiful painted photographs of herself done by a Brighton artist. Plaintiff did not give her a ring as was usual, but he offered to and she said she would wait and get one later. He gave her, however, a gold brooch. Defendant was known as "Queen of the Cocos," being widow of the late Governor of the Cocos. In her affidavit in answer to interrogatories, she had stated that she had about \$28,000 in the Chartered Bank, \$2,674 in the Hongkong Bank, £500 a year from Cocos Island, about £800 a year

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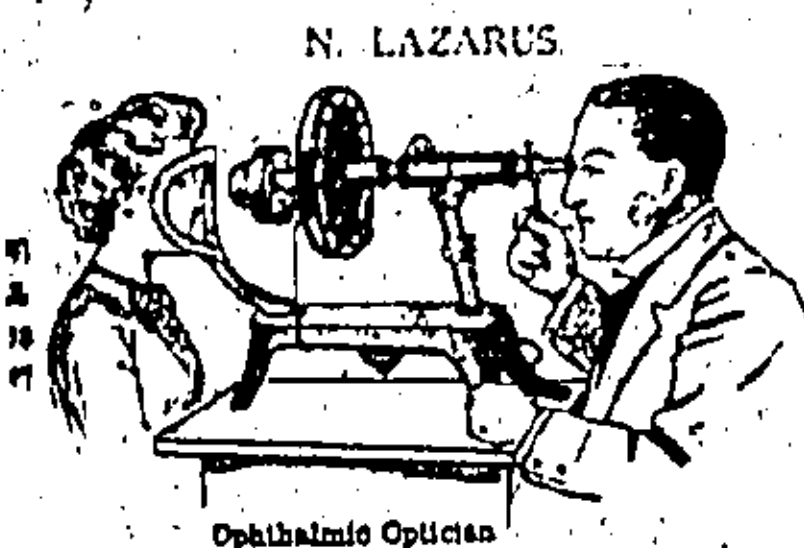
Gustav Siemer was then called to tell his story, which followed the lines of counsel's narrative.

The case is proceeding.

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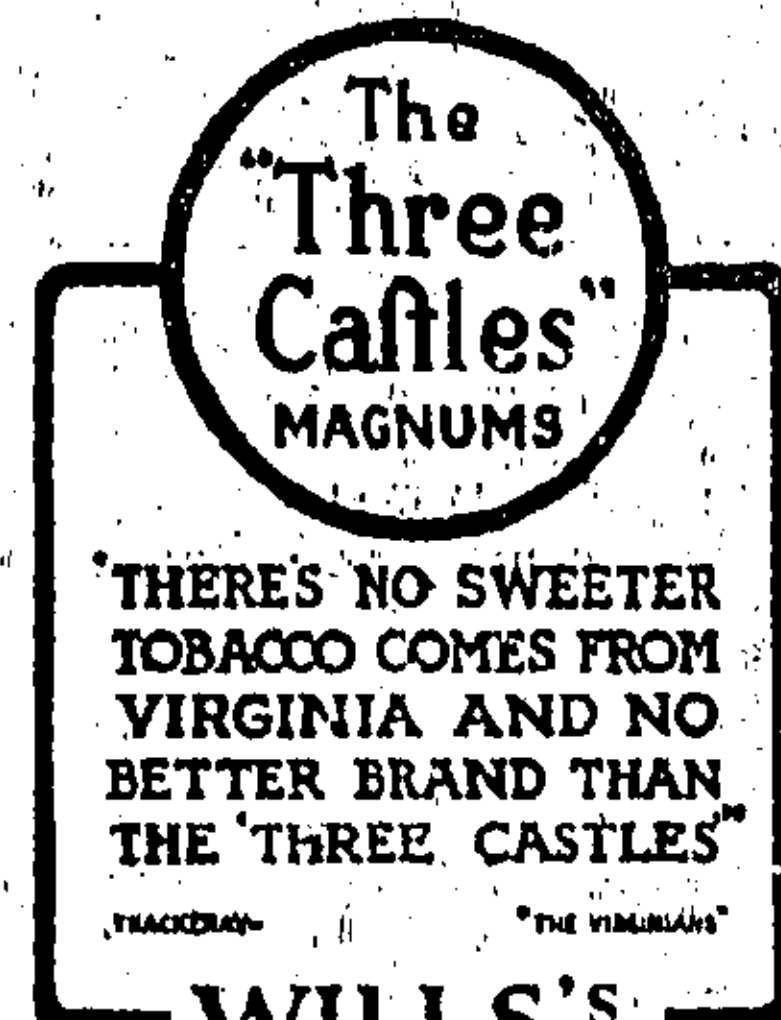
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THE STRONG MAN REVEALED.

The report mentioned in one of our special telegrams yesterday to the effect that President Yuan Shih-kai is desirous of assuming all responsibility for the finances of the Republic is more than ordinarily arresting. It emanates from the *Peking Daily News*, whose official status is sufficient to warrant the view that it has some solid foundation in fact. The report states that it is the intention of the President to organise a Financial Conference composed of delegates from the Provinces, while a further indication of the controlling hand which President Yuan wishes to exercise is found in the further statement that the Ministry of Finance will be required to submit to him, for approval, details of expenditure contemplated.

It is clear, therefore, that the President intends getting a firm grip of the financial situation, which he evidently considers to be essential if the promised measures of reform are to be put into operation. Following so hard on his dissolution of Parliament, the announcement has a peculiar significance. It reveals President Yuan as a man of decisive views and quick action. He is again displaying the strong arm, and, looked at from that standpoint, the development is gratifying and reassuring, inasmuch as it is only by the controlling influence of some outstanding personality at the head of affairs that the Republic can be piloted through the stormy seas ahead. There will doubtless be something in the nature of an outcry on the part of those who imagine that President Yuan is taking upon himself the role of Dictator, but the answer to these folk will be that the President knows the needs of the country, and appreciates the dangers of the future, much more intelligently than do they. What is more, when his intentions are looked into, it becomes plain that his real idea is not to centre power in himself, but to effect a sharp centralisation of authority and to keep a ready eye on the situation.

The President, in fact, would appear to be aiming at results rather than considering the methods by which those results are attained. In the case of the Central Administrative Conference it is quite conceivable that for practical purposes, as China is now placed, this body would perform an infinitely more useful service than the most liberally constituted Parliament ever created. And in the present instance there is the same idea of provincial representation in the suggested Financial Conference, and we imagine that the collective views of experts from the Provinces would be found most helpful in dealing with big financial issues in which all parts of the Republic are more or less concerned. President Yuan, we feel sure, has the good of the Republic at heart. He is still the strong man of the nation. And this latest report is only another indication of the fact.

Another Postal Vagary.

Truly the ways of the Post Office are passing strange. To-day we sent to that institution for a postal order for one shilling and four pence, which, however, we did not succeed in getting. What we did get was an order for one shilling and six pence, and an intimation was sent back to us that no order for the amount we desired could be supplied. As a contrast to this, we may repeat an experience of ours on Saturday. On that day we sent down for a nine-penny postal order, and our wishes were met by a six-penny order, with a three-penny stamp attached, being supplied. That was well and good, and what we would like to know is why to-day by a similar process, we could not obtain what we wanted? Also, why should the postal authorities endeavour to thrust on the public that which they were not asked for?

A Reminder.

Here may be quoted some words which appear on all postal orders. They are:—"Postage stamps not exceeding three in number, or 5d in total value, may be affixed in this space, but not elsewhere, to make up a broken amount (excluding an odd halfpenny)." Exactly so. And that is why we anticipated that we should have no difficulty in procuring an order for one shilling and four pence. A shilling order could have very well been supplied, with two two-penny stamps or a three-penny and a penny stamp attached. But apparently this way of solving the problem never occurred to the postal officials. When the public wants an order for a certain amount, and the want can easily be met, as in this case it should have been, it has a right to expect the exercise of at least reasonable intelligence on the part of the officials at the Post Office counter. There is, however, a sequel to be added to our experience of to-day. On receipt of the one shilling and sixpenny order we promptly sent it back, calling attention to the words which we have quoted. As a consequence, our wishes were eventually met, for back came a shilling order with two two-penny stamps affixed. But why was all this bother and waste of time necessary, we wonder?

CORRESPONDENCE.

[The opinions expressed by our correspondents are not necessarily those of the "Hongkong Telegraph"]

"SAFFRON GLOVES"

(To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph.")

Sir:—I quite agree with you about the ridiculous example set by those in high places as to costume at our Race meeting. But you have omitted the chief item of offence—gloves. In England, gloves are worn to keep the hands warm and in London to keep the hands clean. Why on earth are they worn in Hongkong, especially on one of the sunniest days we have experienced for months? All these frock-coats, top-hats, bowlers, spats, saffron gloves and such like fatalities, worn in a place like Hongkong, are indicative of the genus "boulder." The great mass of quiet respectable people can be safely relied on not to imitate them; but, even if they did, the boulder would still find some new way of "distinguishing" himself by conspicuous garb. One exception naturally the Jockey Club officials from these remarks, as theirs is a kind of uniform and serves a useful purpose. Let us suffer the boulder poor must live and so must.

Your subscriber,

HABER DASHER.

Hongkong, February 17, 1914.

To-morrow's Ball.

To-morrow night His Excellency the Governor and Lady May are giving a ball at Government House.

Mongolia Damaged.

The P. M. steamer Mongolia reported, on arrival at Nagasaki from Shanghai on February 1, that she had sustained damage to her port engine which necessitated her undergoing temporary repairs before proceeding on her voyage.

DAY BY DAY.

"I'VE BEEN A GREAT DEAL HAPPIER," SHE SAID AT LAST, TIMIDLY. "SINCE I HAVE GIVEN UP THINKING ABOUT WHAT IS FINE AND PLEASANT, AND BEING DISCONTENTED BECAUSE I COULDN'T HAVE MY OWN WILL. OUR LIFE IS DETERMINED FOR US, AND IT MAKES THE MIND VERY FREE WHEN WE GIVE UP WISHING, AND ONLY THINK OF BEARING WHAT IS LAID UPON US, AND DOING WHAT IS GIVEN US TO DO."

The Malls.
Canadian and American Mails—Arrived per s.s. Empress of Russia this afternoon.
German Mail.—Left per s.s. Goeben at 10 a.m. to-day.
German Mail.—Due per s.s. Kleist to-morrow at daylight.
American, Canadian and Siberian Mails.—Close per s.s. Empress of Asia at 10 a.m. to-morrow.

Mr. Wittchell Leaves.
By the Nyanza, Mr. R. C. Wittchell went Home on leave.
Queen's College Term.
The Queen's College term begins to-morrow.

Technical Institute.
The evening classes at the Technical Institute commenced last night.

Two Mammoth Liners.
Both the new O. P. R. liners, the Empress of Russia and the Empress of Asia, are now in port.

Sir Richard Dane Arrives.
General of the Salt Gabelle, arrived by the Empress of Russia to-day.

Troopship Arrives.
The big German troopship Patricia arrived from Hamburg yesterday with 1,500 recruits for the garrison at Tientsin. Many of the men were seen ashore yesterday and to-day.

Opium Smokers.
Nine opium smokers were brought before Mr. Hazeldan at the Police Court this morning, by Sergeant Adlington. The "keeper" was fined \$250, or in default three months, and the remainder \$2 each.

O.S.K. Purchase.
The steamer Craighall, 4,402 tons, owned by the West of Scotland S.S. Co., Ltd. has been sold to the Osaka Shosen Kaisha. She was built in 1905 by Messrs D and W. Henderson Ltd., Glasgow with dimensions 380ft. by 60ft. by 28ft.

Lost Propeller.
The s.s. Thebanus arrived from Home yesterday afternoon, and reported that she lost her propeller during her passage through the Red Sea. She was towed into Port after the mishap, and a new propeller was shipped by the ship's crew.

Steamer Sold.
The Falls Line steamer Falls of Orchy, of Glasgow, has been sold to Far Eastern buyers. She was built by Messrs Napier, Miller, Ltd., in 1907, with dimensions 405ft by 52.3ft. by 27.5ft., and registers 4,904 tons gross and 3,139 tons net.

Bible Society Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Hongkong auxiliary of the British and Foreign Bible Society is to be held at the City Hall at 5.15 p.m. to-morrow. The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn will preside, and an address will be given by the Rev. G. H. Bondfield, the Society's agent in China.

Collision Echo.

After a preliminary hearing before the Japanese Consul at Shanghai, the case of the O.M. steamer Toonon v. the Taihei Maru for damages sustained during the collision in December last, has been transferred to Dairen where it will be heard before the Dairen Disciplinary Committee.

Skilled Lady Shot.

Another lady, the third in the course of the past month, has won the skilled shots certificate awarded by the National Rifle Association. The lady is Mrs. T. Hoar and her scores were made at the Dooryard Club. At six hundred yards, Mrs. Hoar scored six bull's eyes and a magpie.

Latest Advertisements.

The meeting of shareholders of the China Provident Loan and Mortgage Company is being held on the 27th inst.—Page 5.
Madrasnagh, the Peak, is to let.—Page 5.

The loss of a young cross-bred pointer dog is advertised.—Page 5.

LOCAL STEAMERS COLLIDE.

The s.s. Wingsang Compelled to Return to Hongkong.

Yesterday at about 12.30 p.m. while the Indo-China S. N. Company's steamer Wingsang was leaving Hongkong and the N.Y.K. steamer Jinan Maru was coming in, the two boats collided, with the result that the former had to return to Hongkong for repairs.

The Wingsang was bound for Shanghai with a general cargo, and had just reached Cape Collinson when the Jinan Maru, incoming, emerged from a fog bank, and a collision could not be avoided. The Wingsang sustained damage to several plates amidships, and it was deemed advisable to bring her back for repairs, which will be carried out at the Cosmopolitan Dock. The damage was not great, fortunately, and we understand that, in any case, the vessel would have docked on her arrival in Shanghai. The Jinan Maru sustained slight damage to her stem.

BAD STARTING.

Some Comments and a Suggestion.

(SPECIAL ARTICLE)
At a recent Jockey Club assembly at Home, Mr. E. Hulton, the wealthy newspaper proprietor and racehorse owner, dealt exhaustively with the numerous drawbacks to good racing, and an epitome of his address appeared in the columns of the *Telegraph*. One of the principal references in that notable address was to swerving, and the other to bad starting. It was argued that the riders were so light that they could not properly govern their mounts in many instances, and that this fact not only brought about bad starts, but caused interference by swerving during the course of a race, or immediately pressure was brought to bear on a certain class of horses. Well, it cannot be argued that the riders of China ponies are four or five stone boys, and one would naturally think that what could be done with a thoroughbred colt of two years, standing some seven or eight hands, can be done with China ponies. I realise that the China pony is not so easily handled as his size would lead the stranger to his class to believe, but neither can it be argued that the racehorses at Home are an animal that is easily handled. Those who are supposed to know all that there is to be known about local racing say that the gate could not be used with any success here. The same thing was said at Home, but the gate was tried and has become an institution. It would perhaps be fairer if the opponents of the starting gate would give it a fair trial at the forthcoming gymnastics and then let the members of the Jockey Club of Hongkong decide whether it is worth instituting at the annual gatherings or not.

As an alternative suggestion I think the present system of starting could be improved upon by a signal system of dispatching the ponies. For instance, a contrivance on the principle of a railway signal, with a good sized arm, could be placed approximately near the starting distance marks, the starter being in possession of an electric push arrangement by which the signal could be released. This would mean that whilst the signal was horizontal the ponies would have to remain as they were, but, as soon as the signal dropped, start. Ponies would necessarily have to be several yards on the wrong side of the starting signal, but there would be no movement on the part of the starter that would give any indication that he was about to let them go. As matters stand, the slightest movement of the starter is taken advantage of by riders eager to get the best of the start, as an indication that the flag is about to fall. It might be the intention of the starter to let the ponies go, but he suddenly has to change his mind, owing to a refractory animal at the rear of the bunch not being in line; then his movement has conveyed his former intention to some of the riders, and they are away. That is how false starts are brought

SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE CONCERT.

Mr. Claud Severn Provides the Programme.

At the Seamen's Institute, last night, Mr. Claud Severn's concert took place and was thoroughly enjoyed. At the conclusion the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn was thanked for his kindness in providing the concert. The items on the programme were as follows:—Pianoforte solo, "Hungarian Dance," (Brahms), Mr. H. W. Turnbull; song, "Stone Cracker John," Mr. A. G. Nash; nigger sketch and song, "Is your mammy always with yer," Brothers Snow; song, Mr. O. H. P. Hay; sailors' chorus, "A Capstan Chorus" and part song "Robin Adair," H.M.S. Minotaur glee singers. Part II.—Pianoforte duet, "Ruy Blas" (Mendelssohn), Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Turnbull; sketch with song, "The old folks at home," Brothers Snow; songs, "As Bess one day" (Liza Lehmann) and "Philosophy" (David Denny), Mrs. Francis Clark; song, "The Midshipmite," Hon. Mr. Claud Severn; patriotic song, "Comrades in arms" and lullaby (solo with chorus) "The dawn of day apparition," H.M.S. Minotaur glee singers.

\$30,000 VANISHES.

Two Hongkong Chinese Remanded.

Before Mr. Wood, at the Police Court, this morning, two Chinese were remanded on a charge of larceny, the amount said to be missing being \$30,000.

Mr. R. C. Faithfull prosecuted. It appears that the complainant, Tau Hoi-ze, gave the money to Tam Hi, the first defendant, who was employed as a comprador, for the purpose of putting in the safe, the amount having to be paid to a business client the next morning. When the complainant went to the safe the next day he found the money was the missing, as was the foki. A warrant was issued for the foki (second defendant), the same day.

Mr. Faithfull said that he intended instructing counsel, and asked for a week's remand.

Mr. Hind (Mr. Branton's office) said he defended Tam Hi, an applied for bail.

Mr. Faithfull said he did not object to bail, but owing to the great amount involved, he thought bail should be fixed at a high figure.

His Worship fixed bail at \$30,000.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

Taikoo v. H.M.S. Minotaur.

The Taikoo Rifle Club beat the H.M.S. Minotaur in their league match on Saturday by a margin of 15 points. The scores were:—

Taikoo Rifle Club.	200	500	600	Total
H. T. Heath,	32	30	33	95
N. Simpson,	30	29	31	90
N. Brodie,	29	32	29	90
D. Lyle,	29	32	28	89
T. Grimshaw,	25	33	29	87
W. M. Bassford,	28	30	27	85
Danby,	28	28	28	84
G. Anderson,	30	30	24	84

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H.M.S. Minotaur.

	200	500	600	Total
Marks	27	31	29	87
Flannigan	25	33	28	86
Joyce	28	29	28	85
Powers	29	27	27	83
Davidson	30	25	28	83
Hicks	29	29	25	83
Jew...	27	30	26	82
Howard	29	21	22	72

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about. The signal system would prevent all that, since there would not be the slightest movement on the part of the starter to indicate his intentions. It would not be costly to instal, either, as it need not be permanent and could be removed after each race to the starting place for the next race. It would at least prevent such a fiasco as the final race of the opening day at Happy Valley this year—a race that the judges would have been well advised to have declared "no race."

MAUD ALLAN.

Another Delightful Display last Night.

To a crowded house Miss Maud Allan and the Oberoniak, trio last night submitted an altogether delightful programme at the Theatre Royal. Chief interest, of course, centred in the appearance of the world-renowned dancer, and it has to be recorded that she more than came up to expectations. Her dancing was nothing short of a revelation. In all her work she was exquisitely graceful and artistic. She threw her whole soul into the interpretation of the entrancing music supplied by the talented musicians, and every part of her body seemed to respond to the demands of the particular theme in hand. Her first numbers were three of Grieg's—*Eroica*, *The Birds*, and *a Tone Picture*. These were magnificently conceived and presented, the best of the trio being the second, which was translated with astounding effect. Then the famous dancer gave what was the treat of the evening—Chopin's *Nocturns in F sharp*, and two other studies by the same composer, representing "*A Soul in Bondage*" and "*The Capture of the Elfin Stead*." Written words cannot possibly convey any idea of how these pieces were handled by Miss Allan. In "*The Soul in Bondage*" she danced with great passion, and the way in which she typified tragedy, despair and pathos must be seen to be fully appreciated. Her final collapse was a fine tragic finish to the piece. In response to the demands for an encore she gave Schubert's *Moment Musical*, in which she danced with a wonderfully joyous abandon. Later in Rubinstein's *Romance* and Grieg's pretty *Norwegian Dance No. 1* she achieved great results, and a double encore was the consequence—the responses being No. 2 *Norwegian Dance* and Beethoven's rare *Contre Danza*. The work of the Oberoniak was of the usual brilliant order which one associates with these talented performers. Lao's violin playing brought forth rapturous applause, especially his interpretation of Sarasate's *Spanish Dance*, while Jan's wonderful work at the piano in the *Rigoletto* (Verdi-Liszt) was no whit less clever. Mischel gave a very finished rendering of Poppo's *Hungarian Rhapsodie*, and as an encore gave Saint-Saens' popular *La Cygne*.

A special programme is arranged for the concluding performance to-night, which will be attended by His Excellency the Governor and Lady May.

The programme for to-night:—Oberoniak, Trio for Pianoforte, Violin, Violoncello (Bach). Maud Allan—*Valse* (Chopin), *Nocturne* (Chopin), *Prélude No. 13*, "*The Hunt*" (Chopin), *Mischel Oberoniak*:—*Vito* (Poppo), *Scherzo* (Van Goens), *Maud Allan*:—*Spring Song* (Mendelssohn), *Funeral March* (Chopin).

Jan Oberoniak:—*Hungarian Rhapsodie No. 13* (Liszt), *Lao Oberoniak*:—*Carmen Fantasia* (Sarasate), *Maud Allan*:—*Barcarolle* (Offenbach), *Blue Danube Valse* (Strauss).

Japanese Coal Output.

The production of coal in Japan and the Japanese collieries in South Manchuria is expected to aggregate 20,000,000 tons this year. The quantity exported during the first six months of 1913 was 2,000,000 tons, and it is believed that the total for the year will reach 4,000,000 tons, whereas in 1912 it was only 3,000,000 tons. Strenuous efforts have been made by the colliery owners to increase the output, but only the opening of new fields can make any material difference. The Mitsui Bishi Company are steadily working at their new field in the Hokkaido, and hope to produce coal in two years' time. When fully developed, its expectations are realized, the Hokkaido collieries should exert a powerful influence on the Far Eastern trade. Until then, however, present conditions—the demand growing twice much as the supply—may be expected to continue.

JOCKEY CLUB RACES.

LADIES' DAY AT THE RACE COURSE.

BORNEO CHIEF WINS THE PURSE.

There was only a sparse attendance at the Race Course this morning when the first saddling bell rang, but it improved greatly as the morning wore on. This is Ladies Day, and, naturally, the attendance of ladies was greater, at least proportionately, than was the case yesterday and Monday. Ladies Day in Hongkong is equal to the Oaks Day at Home, or would be if it were raced here.

His Excellency the Governor was one of the early arrivals. He reached the course about ten minutes past eleven.

The weather was gloriously fine, as was fitting on the day which the ladies claim as theirs. It was a trifle humid perhaps, but pleasant on the whole.

Sir Paul Chater was early in the saddling enclosure, and was much interested in some photos of the previous days' racing which were displayed there.

Among those present were H. S. Sir Henry May, Lady and Misses May, the Hon. Mr. D. Lyndale and Mrs. Lyndale, Mr. Scott Harston, Mr. W. B. Hind, Mr. Heywood, Mr. Moore, Mr. G. Lamont, Mr. Ellis Kadoorie, Mr. L. D'Almada e Castro, Capt. Connolly, Sir Paul Chater, Lady Chater, the Hon. Mr. E. A. Hewitt, Mr. S. S. S. F. X. D'Almada, Mr. Jupp, Mr. H. P. White, Mr. and Mrs. Hastings, Mr. Friesland, Mr. G. K. Hall Bratton, Hon. Mr. Shellim, Hon. Mr. Bucknill, Mr. O. G. Alabaster, Dr. J. W. Noble, Mr. C. D. Melbourne, Mr. Crist, Mr. Lioira, and Mr. Grosson.

The Great Southern Stakes provided Conqueror Aster with a runaway victory. He led from start to finish and won very easily. Sir Paul is having a fine run of victories. Capello, champion two years ago, was last in this race.

Aldwych, in the Hongkong Stakes, added to the victories he secured yesterday and Monday. Goode Hop seemed for a time to have a chance of securing the prize, but Dalgarno is quite out of luck at this meeting. Brand rode a "heady" race on the winner and deserved all the cheers he received.

The Grand Stand Stakes provided Annan with an easy victory, which was fore shadowed by his running in the Derby yesterday. He was easily the best-class pony in the race. Victoria Aster was second, as was the case yesterday; but he had no chance against Annan.

Mr. Moller won the Ladies Purse on Borneo Chief. It was a clever and popular victory. The purse was presented to the winning jockey by Miss Kelly, daughter of Major General Kelly.

Mr. Moller in presenting Miss Kelly with a beautiful bouquet, said that all the jockeys who raced in Hongkong always took a keen interest in the race for the Ladies Purse, and they were all anxious to win it. Though he had been riding since 1899, this was the first time he had secured the honour, and he was sure all the jockeys were as pleased as he was to see that he had at last won it. It made it much more pleasant for him under those circumstances. He had very great pleasure in presenting Miss Kelly on behalf of the Hongkong Jockey Club with a bouquet.

"Will you kindly give three cheers for Miss Kelly, the ladies of Hongkong, and the members of the Race Club?" asked Mr. Moller.

Three lusty cheers were then given.

Mr. Moller:—And a tiger for Mr. Kadoorie the owner of the winning pony.

The "tiger" was accorded. Miss Kelly was then escorted down the stand by Mr. Moller amidst the applause of the crowd. H. E. Sir Henry May, Lady May, Miss May, Miss Lyndale and Sir Paul Chater were present at the presentation ceremony.

1.—The Grand Stand Stakes.—Winner \$750. Second \$250. Third \$125. For China Ponies bona fide Griffins on date of entry. Winners of one Race 5 lb.; of two or more Races 10 lb. extra. Sub-

SPECIAL CABLES.

DISASTROUS SHANGHAI FIRE.

BAKERY AND FURNITURE STORE DESTROYED.

(From Our Own Correspondent).

Shanghai, Received Feb. 18.

Messrs Hall and Holtz' bakery and furniture store have been burned out, the damage being put at Tls. 125,000.

The firemen worked for hours to prevent the Union Church, the General Hospital and other most valuable buildings being set on fire.

A strong wind carried burning wood a quarter of a mile away, and at one time the hospital lighted.

Subscription Griffin allowed 5 lb. Entrance \$10. Three quarters of a Mile.

Mr. John Peel's Annan, 11st 4lb (Mr. Heard) 1

Sir Paul's Victoria Aster 10st 12lb (Mr. Vida) 2

Mr. Gilpin's Saxon Chief, 10st 12lb (Mr. Moller) 3

Mr. Apcap's Amber, 10st 12lb (Mr. H. Seth) 0

Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Roman Chief, 11st 4lb (Mr. H. Gegg) 0

Mr. Soares' Polkalini, 10st 12lb (Mr. Dalgarno) 0

Off 11-33. Roman Chief got the advantage in a bad start.

Victoria Aster being his nearest neighbour. Saxon Chief, however, soon made up the leeway

and before the rook was reached had taken command, Victoria Aster going into second place.

Saxon Chief third and Annan fourth. The latter then secured third place and later engineered his way into second position.

Rounding the village bend Annan went to the front and Heard pulling hard just kept him nicely in front until beyond the distance post where he let him go without pressure and he won as he liked by six lengths. Victoria Aster beating Saxon Chief for second place by half a length. Amber was last.

Dividend:—

Winner:—\$6.30

Places:—\$5.00, \$5.80, \$6.50

Cash Sweep:—

Ticket No.

" 150 1st \$855.20

" 223 2nd 187.20

" 228 3rd 43.80

Commission 104.00

Total \$1,040.00

2.—The Great Southern Stakes.

—Winner \$1,000. Second \$300.

Third \$150. For China Ponies.

Weight for inches as per scale.

Winner at the Meeting of one Race 5 lb.; of two or more Races 10 lb. extra. Griffin allowed 5 lb.;

Subscription Griffin of any Season non-winners allowed 10 lb.

Entrance \$10. One Mile and a quarter.

Sir Paul's Conqueror Aster 10st, 9lb (Mr. Vida) 1

Mr. T. E. Hough's Snowdrop 10st, 4lb (Mr. Lindsey) 2

Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Mahatma Chief 10st, 3lb (Mr. Moller) 3

Capt. Hope's Cayillo, 10st 12lb (Mr. Bremner) 0

Mr. John Peel's The Fickle Bird 11st, 1lb (Mr. Heard) 0

Off 12-5. Another bad start in which Conqueror Aster got away flying and, never being headed, led to the straight where he had great difficulty in shaking off Snowdrop, but for the latter swerving all over the course. Conqueror Aster won by four lengths, three lengths separating second and third.

Time:—2min 36.2-5 sec

Dividend:—

Winner \$6.70

Places \$8.00, \$10.10

Cash Sweep:—

Ticket No.

" 348 1st \$1,017.15

" 251 2nd 290.70

" 135 3rd 143.35

Commission 161.50

Total \$1,615.00

3.—The Hongkong Stakes.—

Winner \$1,000. Second \$300.

Third \$150. For China Ponies.

Subscription Griffin of this Season 1913-1914. Weight for inches as per scale. Winner of the German Cup 7 lb. extra; non-winners allowed 3 lb. Jockeys who have never had a winning mount in Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin allowed 5 lb. Entrance \$10. One Mile and a half.

Mr. Medley's Aldwych, 11st 2lb (Mr. Brand) 1

Mr. J. H. T. McMurtre's Pithcorthie, 10st 8lb (Mr. Heard) 2

Off at 12.1. Victorioso was left at the start, Dumfries retitled down in front of Flying Kangaroo, with Darbar Chief third.

Flying Kangaroo then went to the front and led by two lengths from Dumfries. Victorioso, at the Bowington gate, ran into second place. Passing the Rock, Darbar Chief was third, with Triumph Aster showing. In the straight the two Chiefs and Dumfries made a fine race of it. Borneo Chief won by a short head, with Darbar Chief, two lengths away, third.

Time:—3 min. 10.1-5 sec.

Dividend:—

Winner \$6.50

Places \$6.20, \$8.10, \$9.20

Cash Sweep:—

Ticket No. 28 1st \$1406.25

do. 22 2nd \$427.50

do. 38 3rd \$213.75

Commission \$237.50

Total \$2,375.00

Messrs. Fitzwilliam's Cilgwyn, 10st 12lb (Mr. Moller) 3

Mr. Apcap's Turquoise, 10st 11lb (Mr. S. A. Seth) 0

Messrs. Fitzwilliam's Malgwyn, 10st 4lb (Mr. Clarke) 0

Mr. T. S. Forrest's Meenys, 10st 9lb (Mr. Bill Irving) 0

Mr. Hastings' Wincombe, 10st 11lb (Mr. Hastings) 0

Sir Henry May's Maggie, 10st 9lb (Mr. Pope) 0

Mr. Meiland's Goode Hop, 10st 12st (Mr. Dalgarno) 0

Mr. Nomazee's Arravand, 10st 7lb (Mr. H. Gegg) 0

Mr. Norman's Brown Boy, 10st 12lb (Mr. H. Seth) 0

Mr. W. R. Richardson's Rosario, 10st 12lb (Mr. Hickman) 0

Mr. Riderbowld's Pegasus, 10st 12lb (Mr. Bremner) 0

Off at 12.40. After a false start which was led by Cilgwyn and Goode Hop, the former got away at the fall of the flag. Brown Boy being left at the post. Goode Hop and Meenys followed the leader, but ere the field had reached the village bend Brown Boy had come along as though doing a last quarter and forced his way into third place. Down the straight for the first time. Brown Boy led with Turquoise second and Wincombe third. On the hill Brown Boy still led, but later Cilgwyn forged his way to the front, Goode Hop and Rosario lining up with Turquoise and Brown Boy. Into the straight Cilgwyn led, but was soon challenged by Aldwych and Pithcorthie at the distance post Aldwych and Pithcorthie passed Cilgwyn and the challenge from Pithcorthie was not good enough to shake Aldwych who won by two lengths, a neck away Cilgwyn was third.

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Hoerde	17th Mar.	Sambia	25th Apr.

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O. J. D. Ahlers 28th Feb.

For M'les, R'dam & A'werp: Suevia 2nd Mar.

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Destination.	Steamers.	Sailing Date
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VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE, via Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, and Yokohama.	Aki Maru Capt. Nomia T. 12,500 Sado Maru Capt. Asakawa T. 12,500	(TUES., 24th Feb. at noon.) (TUESDAY, 10th Mar. at noon.)
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, via Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville, and Brisbane.	Kumano Maru Capt. M. Winckler T. 9,300 Tango Maru Capt. T. Sekine T. 13,500	(WEDNES., 11th Mar. at noon.) (WEDNES., 8th Apr. at noon.)
CALCUTTA, via Singapore, Penang, and Rangoon.	Sanuki Maru Capt. Deguchi T. 12,500	(SATURDAY, 21st Feb.)
BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo.	Kamo Maru Capt. Kawa T. 16,000 Tango Maru Capt. Sekine T. 13,500	(THURS., 26th Feb. at 11 a.m.) (WED., 11th Mar. at 11 a.m.)
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Kamo	20000	"	"	25th "
Kamo	16000	"	"	8th April
Kashima	20000	"	"	22nd "

FOR AMERICA

Steamer	Tons	Sails	Day	Date
Aki Maru	13500	tons	sails	Tuesday 24th January.
Sado	12500	"	"	10th March
Yokohama	12500	"	"	24th "
Awa	12500	"	"	7th April
Shidzuoka	12500	"	"	21st "

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For	Steamers.	To Sail.
SHANGHAI	Wuhu	19th Feb. at noon
AMOI	Linan	19th Feb. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Anhui	19th Feb. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAU	Foochow	21st Feb. at m'night
SHANGHAI	Liangchow	24th Feb. at 4 p.m.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	Teian	24th Feb. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Luchow	26th Feb. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAU	Kanchow	28th Feb. at m'night

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FOR SWATOW.

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The Leading Port of the World.

The very latest estimates of the value of the exports and imports of the ten leading ports of the world show that New York now stands at the head of the list, with an advantage of nearly two hundred million dollars over London. The *Marine Review* says that New York's total of exports and imports, now valued at 1,073,081,093 dollars, is over five times the amount of commerce that was carried on by the entire country half a century ago. As to the future, it is declared that the Panama Canal is bound to strengthen the lead now secured by this port; for the canal will bring New York 1,800 miles nearer to Yokohama than is Liverpool; 2,500 miles nearer Sydney; 4,000 miles nearer Wellington, New Zealand; and 2,574 miles nearer Valparaiso, Bremen and Hamburg being some 500 miles further removed from the canal. That Liverpool, it is evident that the new conditions—the general re-arrangement of trade routes—will tend to strengthen the position of this port in its supremacy over its nearest competitor. Expressed in round millions (dollars) the returns in value for the other leading ports are: London, 1,792 millions; Hamburg, 1,674 millions; Liverpool, 1,637 millions; Antwerp, 1,121 millions; Marseilles, 678 millions; Havre, 561 millions; Bremen, 501 millions; Buenos Ayres, 470 millions; and Calcutta, 410 millions.

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Like its predecessor, 1913 was a great year for the launching of large liners for British steamship companies. The biggest ship put into the water was, of course, the Cunard Line's Aquitania, of 47,000 tons. She is rather bigger than the Olympic, and some 15,000 tons larger than the Lusitania and the Mauretania which came into the North Atlantic service in 1907 and 1908. As the Aquitania ought to be running this summer, this notable advance in size has been reached in just about seven years. By contrast with the Aquitania, the other big ship launched last year seems relatively small, but in reality they represent a very high average of tonnage. Leaving aside half a dozen oil-tank steamers of over 10,000 tons each, it is to be noted that the dozen big British passenger liners put into the water have an average gross register of upwards of 14,000 tons. It is doubtful if such a figure has ever been surpassed. The new All-India Calcutta and Alsatian, each of 18,000 tons, come at the head of this list, and are bigger than anything yet built for the trade with Canada. They are turbine-driven. The Royal Mail and Pacific companies have to their credit three 15,000-ton liners in the Alcantara, Andes, and Orduña, each driven by combination engines. The Holt Line's Ulysses, for the Australian trade, is of 14,500 tons, and two steamers, the Berrima and Horda, of over 11,000 tons, are for the P. and O. Company's branch line to the Commonwealth. In the Andania and the Aulania the Cunard Company have two 13,400 ton boats for the Canadian trade, and in the Llandovery Castle and the Llanstephan Castle the Union Castle Company have a couple of 11,800 ton liners for their direct East African service, via theuez Canal.

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 26th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 19th inst., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will counter-sign by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
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Hongkong, 12th Feb., 1914. [1162]

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No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above company's godown **SATURDAY, Feb. 21st 1914,** at 10 p.m.


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All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 16th prox., or they will not be recognized.

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No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st inst., at 9.30 a.m.

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THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH. EXTRA

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1914.

JOCKEY CLUB RACES.

(Continued from Page 5.)

5.—The American Cup.—Presented by American Citizens resident in Hongkong. Second to receive \$250. Third \$125. For China Ponies bona fide Griffins on date of entry. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of one Race 5 lb.; of two Races 7 lb.; of three or more Races 10 lb. extra. Subscription Griffins of this Season 1913-1914 allowed 7 lb. Jockeys who have never had a winning mount in Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin allowed 5 lb. Entrance \$10 to go to Winner. Seven Furlongs.

Mr. John Peel's Lookerbie, 11st 3lb (Mr. Heard) 1
Sir Paul's Jewel Aster, 11st 5lb (Mr. Brand) 2
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Nigerian Chief, 10st 12lb (Mr. Dalgarno) 3

Dr. Forsyth's Robin Hood, 10st 10lb (Capt. Woodhouse) 0
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Sixon Chief, 10st 12lb (Mr. Moller) 0

Off at 2.44. From the fall of the flag Lookerbie settled down in front of the bunch, and never again being headed, won by a length and a half from Jewel Aster. Three lengths away Nigerian Chief was third.

Time:—1 min. 50 secs.

Dividend:—
Winner \$11.20
Places \$5.80, \$5.50

Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 588 1st, 2,205.00
" 636 2nd, 630.00
" 890 3rd, 315.00
Commission 350.00

Total \$3,500.00

6.—The Phaethon Stakes.—Handicap. Winner \$750. Second \$250. Third \$125. For China Ponies that have run at any Gymkhana Meeting and Griffins on date of entry. Non-starters barred. Entrance \$10. One Mile and a quarter.

Sir Paul's China Aster, 11st 1lb (Mr. Vida) 1
Mr. T. F. Hough's Red Cloud, 10st 10lb (Mr. Jervois) 2
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Maharratta Chief, 11st 3lb (Mr. Moller) 3

Mr. Brutton's Sevington, 10st 1lb (Mr. Knoll) 0
Mr. V. d'Oettingen's Floreal, 10st 9lb (Mr. H. Gegg) 0
Mr. Reedlark's Joy, 9st 7lb (Mr. Hastings) 0

Mr. S. Seth's Sweet Rocket, 10st 4lb (Mr. H. Seth) 0
Mr. Soares' Violini, 10st 11lb (Mr. Dalgarno) 0
Mr. H. P. White's Olerio, 10st 5lb (Mr. Bremner) 0
Mr. H. P. White's Defford, 10st 1lb (Mr. Brand) 0

Off at 3.14. Red Cloud led the whole of the way until reaching the straight, where he was challenged by China Aster and Maharratta Chief in turn. After a desperate finish China Aster won by a short head. Maharratta Chief a length away was third.

Time:—2 min. 42.3-5 secs.

Dividend:—
Winner \$12.40
Places \$6.70, \$11.20, \$6.30

Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 101 1st, \$2,520.00
" 108 2nd, 720.00
" 253 3rd, 360.00
Commission 400.00

Total \$4,000.00

7.—The Governor's Cup.—Presented by his Excellency Sir F. H. May. Second to receive \$250. Third \$125. For China Ponies Subscription Griffins of this Season 1913-1914. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of one Race 5 lb.; of two or more Races 10 lb. extra. Jockeys who have never had a winning mount in Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin allowed 5 lb. Entrance \$10 to go to Winner. One Mile.

Sir Paul's Monarch Dahlia, 11st (Mr. Vida) 1
Mr. W. B. Richardson's Rosario, 11st 1lb (Mr. H. Seth) 2
Mr. E. Goetz's Amun Ra, 11st 5lb (Mr. Bremner) 3

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" 108 2nd, 720.00
" 253 3rd, 360.00
Commission 400.00

Total \$4,000.00

Mr. Leo. d'Almada's Triumphoso, 10st 10lb (Mr. H. Gegg) 0
Major F. Dickinson's Obalot, 11st 1lb (Mr. Lindsey) 0
Mr. R. D. Harvey's Somerset, 10st 12lb (Mr. Bell Irving) 0
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Pahan Chief, 10st 12lb (Mr. Moller) 0

Mr. Meiland's Goodie Hop, 10st 12lb (Mr. Hickman) 0
Mr. John Peel's The Cat, 11st (Mr. Heard) 0
Mr. Shellim's Tango, 11st 6lb (Mr. Knoll) 0

Mr. Soares' Valsalini, 10st 12lb (Mr. Dalgarno) 0
Mr. Trio's Candy Kid, 10st 12lb (Mr. Brand) 0

Off at 3.50. From a good start Tango led Triumphoso, Goodie Hop, Chalcot, Monarch Dahlia and Valsalini. At the Bowington Canal, Triumphoso went into first place, Chalcot second and Valsalini third. Later, on going up the incline, The Cat went to the front and overhauled the leaders, eventually leading by a length from Tango and Valsalini. Nearing the rook, Rosario pulled into fourth place and Chalcot commenced to race with The Cat down the incline. Later Monarch Dahlia worked his way into sixth place and from this engineered his way through the bunch, challenging the leader in the straight. Rosario and Amun Ra closely followed the Dahlia, but could make no impression. Won by a length, a length and a half separating second and third.

Time:—2 min. 10.2-5 secs.

Dividend:—
Winner \$9.20
Places \$6.80, \$29.80, \$12.60

Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 181 1st, \$2,520.00
" 704 2nd, 720.00
" 375 3rd, 360.00
Commission 400.00

Total \$4,000.00

8.—The Mongolian Stakes.—Winner \$750. Second \$250. Third \$125. For China Ponies. Griffins on date of entry, purchased at a Public Auction of untied Griffins in Shanghai or Hongkong after 19th April, 1913, on account of a Member or Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club at an actual cost of not more than £15. 200 lb in Shanghai or \$325 lb in Hongkong. Weight for inches as per scale. The Winner of Race No. 5 on the First day or No. 11 on the Second day 7 lb. extra, the Winner of any Race other than the two above enumerated, as also the Winner of both said Races if the same pony, barred. Entrance \$10. One Mile.

Sir Paul's Britannia Dahlia, 11st 3lb (Mr. Vida) 1
Mr. Norman's Si Kwai, 10st 12lb (Mr. H. Seth) 2
Mr. Stabb's Mallard, 10st 11lb (Mr. Lindsey) 3

Mr. Gilpin's Sir Galahad, 11st 5lb (Mr. Knoll) 0
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Albanian Chief, 10st 12lb (Mr. Moller) 0

Sir Henry May's Buttercup, 10st 9lb (Mr. Brand) 0
Mr. John Peel's Turnberry, 10st 12lb (Mr. Bell Irving) 0
Mr. Stabb's Woodcock, 11st 1lb (Capt. Woodhouse) 0

Mr. H. P. White's Ignorance, 10st 12lb (Mr. Bremner) 0

Off at 4.25. Mallard and Turnberry got away, followed by Si Kwai and Sir Galahad. Thus they ran to the hill, where Mallard went to the front. Later Turnberry and Britannia Dahlia closed on the leader, and, rounding the bend into the straight, Britannia Dahlia, Si Kwai and Mallard were the only three in the race. Won by six lengths. Mallard two lengths away was third, and Sir Galahad fourth.

Time:—2 min. 7 secs.

Dividend:—
Winner \$5.80
Places \$5.50, \$11.00, \$7.50

Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 387 1st, \$2,520.00
" 111 2nd, 720.00
" 269 3rd, 360.00
Commission 400.00

Total \$4,000.00

9.—The Champion Stakes.—Winner \$2,500. Second \$750. Third \$500. For China Ponies. Winners at this Meeting only. Weight for inches per scale. One Mile and a quarter.

Mr. John Peel's President, 11st 1lb (Mr. Heard) 1
Sir Paul's Royal Rose, 11st 4lb (Mr. Vida) 2

Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Fijian Chief, 10st 12lb (Mr. Moller) 3
Mr. John Peel's Annan, 11st 4lb (Mr. Lindsey) 0

Mr. John Peel's Moffat, 11st 1lb (Mr. Bell Irving) 0
Sir Paul's Conqueror Aster, 10st 9lb (Mr. Brand) 0
Sir Paul's Sunlight, 11st 1lb (Mr. Bremner) 0

Off at 4.52. Conqueror Aster took the lead, followed by Fijian Chief, Royal Rose and Annan. As the ponies raced by the stand, Annan, moving in springy fashion, dashed to the front and paced Conqueror Aster, Fijian Chief being next and then President. Approaching the foothill field, Fijian Chief closed up with Annan and Conqueror Aster. President was fourth, Royal Rose fifth, Moffat sixth and Sunlight last. On seeing the hill, the ponies were still led by Annan. President, however, worked his way to the leaders. Annan forced the pace for Conqueror Aster rounding the village bend, and the latter, taking the hint, closed on his pacer's heels. Royal Rose, however, did not concede anything and lay very handy. Into the straight the ponies dashed, Annan giving way to Conqueror Aster and then to Royal Rose and Fijian Chief. Vida commenced to ride his mount and was making great impression upon the flying President. Then a barrier dashed across the course in front of the fore legs of President the miracle being that the pony did not shy and throw his rider, and a nasty mix-up result. President, however, had no difficulty, neither Royal Rose nor the Chief ever again being within striking distance, and Heard won with his hands on the withers in the commonest of canters by three lengths. Five lengths away was third. Miss Landale led in the winner.

Time:—2 min. 34 4/5 secs.

Dividend:—
Winner \$8.00
Places \$5.40, \$5.60, \$7.60

Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 919 1st, \$1,060.00
" 280 2nd, 3,180.00
" 310 3rd, 1,580.00
Non Winners 400.00
Commission 1,800.00

Total \$18,000.00

10.—The Consolation Stakes.—A Sweepstakes of \$5 each with \$500 added for Winner. Second \$25. Third \$125. For China Ponies that have run and not won at this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockeys who have never had a winning mount in Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin allowed 5 lb. One Mile.

Mr. T. F. Hough's Snowdrop, 11st 4lb (Mr. Lindsey) 1
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Durbar Chief, 10st 9lb (Mr. Moller) 2

Mr. John Peel's The Finkle Bird, 11st 1lb (Mr. Heard) 3
Mr. Leo d'Almada's Victorioso, 11st 1lb (Mr. H. Seth) 0

Mr. Appear's Ambor, 10st 7lb (Mr. S. A. Seth) 0
Dr. Forsyth's Robin Hood, 10st 10lb (Capt. Woodhouse) 0

Capt. Hope's Capello, 10st 12lb (Mr. Bremner) 0
Mr. H. P. White's Olerio, 11st 1lb (Mr. Jervois) 0

Off at 5.24. At fall of the flag the ponies set away to a level start, Finkle Bird leading Snowdrop, whole of the remainder dropping the distance from the foot of the field, being followed in the flight by Durbar Chief and Finkle Bird. Eventually Snowdrop won by three lengths, half a

length separating second and third.

Time:—2 min. 05.4-5 sec.

Dividend:—
Winner \$7.40
Places \$5.60, \$5.50, \$5.10

Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 556 1st, \$2,520.00
" 757 2nd, 720.00
" 341 3rd, 360.00
Commission 400.00

Total \$4,000.00

11.—The Nil Desperandum Stakes.—A Sweepstakes of \$5 each with \$500 added for Winner. Second \$250. Third \$125. For China Ponies. Subscription Griffins of this Season 1913-1914 that have run and not won at this Meeting. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockeys who have never had a winning mount in Hongkong, Shanghai or Tientsin allowed 5 lb. Five Furlongs.

Mr. Off's Mad Eve, 10st 12lb (Mr. Lindsey) 1
Mr. Soares' Valsalini, 10st 12lb (Mr. Dalgarno) 2

Sir Paul's Radamus Dahlia, 10st 9lb (Mr. Brand) 3
Mr. Leo d'Almada's Glorious, 10st 4lb (Mr. S. A. Seth) 0

Mr. Billard's Fluke, 10st 4lb (Captain Woodhouse) 0
Mr. Brutton's Brynpton, 10st 10lb (Mr. H. Gegg) 0

Maj. F. Dickinson's Obalot, 10st 10lb (Mr. Sedgwick) 0
Messrs Fitzwilliams Olegryn, 11st 1lb (Mr. Bell Irving) 0

Dr. Forsyth's The Giller, 10st 12lb (Mr. Popo) 0

Mr. Hastings' Wincombe, 10st 5lb (Mr. Hastings) 0
Mr. H. Humphreys' Dark Ronald, 10st 9lb (Mr. Bremner) 0

Mr. Jay's Sling, 10st 12lb (Mr. Jervois) 0

Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Balkan Chief, 10st 4lb (Mr. Moller) 0
Mr. Kenlow's Dunin, 11st 1lb (Mr. Hickman) 0

Mr. J. E. F. McMartrie's Pitouthis, 10st 9lb (Mr. Heard) 0

Mr. Norman's Brown Boy, 11st 1lb (Mr. H. Seth) 0
Mr. Reedlark's Mystery, 10st 10lb (Mr. Clarke) 0

Mr. Trio's Candy Kid, 10st 12lb (Mr. Knoll) 0

Off at 6.5. From a bad start, Candy Kid got away and led until reaching the home bend where he was tackled by Mad Eve, Valsalini and Radamus Dahlia. In a very exciting race Mad Eve got the upper hand by a length, half a length separating second and third.

Time:—1 min. 17 secs.

THE POLICE ATTACKED.

SERIOUS AFFAIR AT KOWLOON.

FOUR PRISONERS ESCAPE.

We have been informed that whilst a European police inspector and a body of men were endeavouring to effect the arrest of several Indian gamblers on the hillside at Kowloon yesterday they were subjected to a severe attack. They had arrested four of the Indians, and, as they were being taken to the station, a big crowd of their fellow-countrymen surrounded the police and attacked them with stones, and other missiles. In the end the police had to release the four men arrested and do the best they could for themselves. They rushed among the threatening mob and eventually managed to disperse them. One of the Indians in the scuffle had his collarbone broken.

The affair has caused quite a stir among the police, particularly those on duty on the other side of the harbour. It is said that there has been considerable trouble experienced with Indians at Kowloon of late.

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Commission 400.00

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Time:—1 min. 17 secs.

Dividend:—
Winner \$27.30
Places \$10.80, \$54.70, \$38.10

Cash Sweep:—
Ticket No. 649 1st, \$2,482.20
" 343 2nd, 709.20
" 635 3rd, 354.80
Commission 394.00

Total \$3,940.00

COMPANY REPORT.

The Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.

The report of the above Company for presentation to shareholders at the twenty-seventh ordinary annual meeting, to be held at the office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Thursday, March 5, at 11.30 a.m., states:—

The Directors beg to submit to shareholders their report with a statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1913. The profit on working was \$504,523.08 as compared with \$386,011.94 in 1912.

The balance at credit of Profit and Loss account, including \$21,899.74 brought forward from last year, and after deducting Directors' and Auditors' fees, and paying for all interest and repairs, amounts to \$440,402.80, which it is proposed to appropriate as follows:—

To pay a dividend of 7 per cent. from working profits ... \$210,000.00
To write off Launches 4,757.57
To write off Lighters 36,297.88
To write off Machinery 18,538.76
To write off Kowloon Wharves 36,102.06
To write off West Point Wharf 454.61
To write off Railways and Rolling Stock 9,361.44
To Transfer to Reserve Fund 100,000.00
To carry forward to new account 24,890.48

Total \$440,402.80

Business.—The demand for storage accommodation increased considerably during the year due chiefly to the restricted shipments to Canton and neighbouring centres. The earnings from all sources of revenue show an improvement on last year's figures.

Buildings.—The buildings mentioned in the a/c as sold in 1912 are the 9 Chinese houses on the portion of K. L. E. 211 referred to in the Report for 1912.

Lighters.—One (50 tons) wooden lighter was acquired during the year. Damage to the extent of \$15,405.60 was sustained by the fleet during the typhoons of August and September, 1913.

Directors.—Mr. R. Launze retired during the year and Mr. C. Landgraf has been invited to take his place. Hon. Mr. E. Shellim and Mr. H. Schmidt retire according to the Articles of Association and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—Mr. A. O'D. Gourdin and (in the absence of Mr. W. H. Potts) Mr. F. Maitland have audited the accounts now presented. Messrs. Gourdin and Maitland offer themselves for re-election.

DAVID LANDALE,
Chairman.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1914.
Balance Sheet, 31st December, 1913.

LIABILITIES

To Capital 60,000
" fully paid up shares at \$50 3,000,000.00
To Reserve fund 500,000.00
" Equalisation of Dividend fund 150,000.00
" Sundry creditors 273,724.38
" Unclaimed dividends 538.50
" Balance of Profit and Loss account 440,402.80

Total \$4,364,725.68

Assets.

By value of Kowloon Land ... \$1,333,027.88
By value of Kowloon Buildings 1,631,639.83

As per last account ... \$2,964,667.77
Less value of Buildings sold in 1912 ... 56,910.00
2,907,757.77
Land since acquired 4,047.00
2,911,804.77

By value of Wharves at Kowloon as per last a/c ... 324,610.69
Less written off last year ... 32,481.25
292,129.45
Since expended ... 97,043.52
389,172.97

By value of Railways and Rolling stock at Kowloon as per last account ... 102,518.08
Less written off last year ... 8,481.79
94,036.29
Since expended ... 5,830.95
99,867.24

By value of Launches as per last account ... 40,625.51
Less written off last year ... 5,658.26
34,967.25
Since expended ... 9,400.00
53,367.25

By value of Lighters as per last account ... 209,777.97
Less written off last year ... 18,600.36
191,177.61
Since expended ... 2,056.52
193,234.13

By value of Machinery and Plant as per last a/c ... 146,045.74
Less written off last year ... 11,114.91
134,930.83
Since expended ... 23,788.47
158,719.30

exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us, and as shown by the books of the Company. We have seen all the Securities. A. D'O. GOURDIN, Auditors. Hongkong, 11th February, 1914.

D.C.L.I. Ball.
The D.C.L.I. Sergeants' Mess is holding its annual ball, in commemoration of the Battle of Paardeburg, on March 3. Special cars will run at 2.30 and 3.30 a.m.

Acrobat Killed.
A fatal accident took place at the Cinema de Paris Bioscope, Rangoon, on January 19, during the performance of the Egawa Troupe of Japanese acrobats. When the men of the troupe were doing the three men pyramid, two standing on the other's shoulders, the top man being Sora Jiji, whose act was to turn a back somersault from the second man's shoulders as they broke; he made his move too late and failed to land properly, striking on his head and breaking his neck. Death was instantaneous.



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LONDON 100 YEARS
HENCE.

Sir A. Webb's Alluring Dream.

An alluring vision of the London of the year 2014 was described to the London Society at a dinner at the Waldorf Hotel by Sir Aston Webb, who pretended that he had slept for 100 years and had awakened to find himself standing on a bridge with a companion.

He said:—
"I saw a man fishing from the walls of the Embankment, and was told he was fishing for salmon and trout (laughter). Not a single bit of refuse went into the Thames, my companion told me, and they had a salmon weir at London Bridge (laughter)."

"I paid a little more attention to the bridge, and found it had houses and shops on both sides, and instead of being a bridge, it was a street. I asked the reason for this, and I was told that in the old days the Thames divided London into two parts, and, whatever they did, the south side of the Thames was never as prosperous as the north, and so they built the shops, and people were so interested in shopping that they crossed the river without knowing it."

"On the other side of the river I noticed an Embankment, and my companion told me that they could get such things now because they did not allow politics to enter into municipal life. I saw other magnificent buildings, which were the Houses of the Imperial Parliament, where we think Imperially every three years, as my guide said."

"asked why everything looked so bright and clean, and my companion said that was because they had done away with the smoke, and only used smokeless materials now."

Flat Roofs.

"In Southwark there was a green square with a statue to Sir William Richmond, put up in gratitude by the Government (laughter). Southwark had been rebuilt, and the roofs of the houses were flat, and the people sat in the summer evening on their roof gardens looking at London twinkling in the evening sun."

"My guide explained that aeroplanes had been forbidden over London because they were apt to drop unpleasant things, and occasionally drop themselves, and they became a nuisance."

"Cannon-street railway bridge and the bridges at Ludgate-hill and Charing Cross had been taken down, and the old glass railway terminus also. Instead, two big terminal stations had been built, one for south and one for north London, and they were connected by a tunnel. The House of Lords, my companion said, was stronger than ever (laughter)."

"In a bird's-eye view I obtained of London, I noticed that besides the railway tracks out of London there were great arterial roads, stretching out in all ways. They were 120ft. wide, and there were two divisions, one for slow-moving traffic and one for swift traffic. The tramways had been done away with, and the people of that day had wireless telegraphy, wireless telephones, and wireless electric light. There was a belt of green round London, a sylvan glade formed out of various town-planning schemes, and on Prim-

rose Hill there was a great monument to Shakespeare.

Ministry of Art.

"My companion told me that all these things were arranged now by a Ministry of Art, who, assisted by a large committee of artists, had such matters referred to them. The housing problem had settled itself to a large extent, for, with the increase of facilities for getting in and out of London, people moved out further from the centre. Other improvements I saw and heard of were a Central Government of London; clean sewers, and the protection of old London, which was better than we had to-day. "In fact this country, like France, had realised that art was a great asset to any country and any city. On the west side of Trafalgar-square was a great building occupied by the Ministry of Art, and over the portals was inscribed in bold letters, 'Erected by the British Government to the Glory of British Art.'"

"But I awoke from my dream," Sir Aston concluded, "to hear my friend saying that it was impossible to improve London; that it was too huge, too dirty, too smoky."

Electric Carpets.

Sir William Ramsay said the chief art of mankind was the conveyance of material. If we could liquefy our letters, they could get through a pipe; they could still more easily if we could gasify them, and if we could electrify them would go more easily still."

He did not think gas fires were as comfortable as coal fires, but he could imagine a carpet permeated by wires through which was sent a current of electricity. It would not get hot enough to burn itself, and there would radiate from it a quiet, gentle heat."

Sir William Bull said that one of Sir Aston Webb's ideas might be realised, because there was a whisper going round that Mr. Mullaly Deely in purchasing the Covent Garden estate had an idea for a huge underground central railway station."

600 Miles in A Ship's Boat.

News was received at Sydney on January 5 concerning Captain Benson and two members of the crew of the lumbered American schooner Eldorado, who left Eastern Island in a small boat at the end of October to sail to Tahiti in order to procure assistance for the shipwrecked crew which was sheltering on Easter Island. The crew had then been on Easter Island for three months. The captain and his companions were not seen again by the others, who were picked up by the steamer Knight of the Garter and brought to Sydney. It is known that Captain Benson and his two companions reached Tahiti safely in their small boat, sailing sixteen hundred miles. People at the port of Papeete treated Captain Benson and his two men well, and they departed ten days after their landing for San Francisco."

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A New Mail Train Service via Tientsin and Peking for Europe (via Siberia) will be closed at Shanghai every Wednesday evening, at 5 p.m.

This Train will connect with the Trans-Siberian Express conveying the Mails sent via Dally on Wednesday mornings.

The Kieist, with the German Mail, left Shanghai on Saturday the 14th inst., at 9 a.m., and is due to arrive here tomorrow, at daylight.

The Liangchow, with the mail from London via Siberia of Saturday the 14th inst., is due to arrive here on Friday 20th inst.

MAILS DUE.

German, Kieist, 19th inst.

Siberian, Liangchow, 20th inst.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Left London Jan. 21

Due Shanghai Feb. 9.

MAILS CLOSE TO-DAY.

Swatow, Shanghai & North China—Per TAKEKANG, 18th Feb. 5 p.m.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via MOJIBERIA, 18th inst. 5 p.m.

Tsingtau, Chefoo, Weihaiwei & Gairon—Per YECHEONG MARU, 18th Feb. 5 p.m.

Saigon—HYSON, 18th inst. 5 p.m.

Shanghai & North China—Per ATHOLL, 18th inst. 5 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Shanghai, North China, Japan via NAGASAKI, 19th inst. 10 a.m.

Swatow, America and Canada via VACUOVER (Europe via Siberia)—Per EMPRESS OF ASIA, 19th Feb. 10 a.m.

Ho-hai, Haiphong, Pakhoi & Saigon—Per HONGKONG, 19th inst. 10 a.m.

Japan via Kuei-totzu, Victoria, Tacoma, Vancouver and Seattle—Per BELLE-OPHON, 19th inst. 10 a.m.

Shanghai & North China—Per WUHU, 19th Feb. 10 a.m.

Formosa—Per OTAWA MARU, 19th inst. 10 a.m.

Swatow and Shanghai—Per HOIHOW, 19th inst. 10 a.m.

Straits & India via Calcutta—Per LOVAT, 19th Feb. 1 p.m.

Haiphong, Pakhoi and Saigon—Per HANCOCK, 19th inst. 2 p.m.

Saigon—Per KUMCHOW, 19th inst. 2 p.m.

Saigon—Per KAMOR, 19th inst. 2 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per ANHUI, 19th inst. 3 p.m.

Amoy—LINAN, 19th inst. 3 p.m.

Japan via Kobe—Per SOLVEIG, 19th Feb. 4 p.m.

Shanghai North & China—Per CHOY-SANG, 19th Feb. 5 p.m.

Shanghai, North China and Japan via NAGASAKI—Per KLEIST 19th inst. 5 p.m.

FRIDAY 20th Feb.

Bangkok—FOOSHING, 20th inst. 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAI-CHING, 20th Feb. 10 a.m.

SATURDAY 21st Feb.

Philippine Islands, Angaur, Yap, Fred. Wilhelmshafen, Rabau, Herbertshöhe, Matupi, Australia, Tasmania, New Zealand, via Brisbane—Per F. WALDEMAR, 21st Feb. 9 a.m.

Japan via Moji Victoria and Tacoma—Per TACOMA MARU, 21st inst. noon.

Straits and India via Calcutta—Per KUMCHOW, 21st Feb. 1 p.m.

Philippine Is.—Per YUENSANG, 21st inst. 1 p.m.

Philippine Is.—Per RUBI, 21st Feb. 3 p.m.

Shanghai, North and China (Europe via Siberia)—Per FOOCHOW, 21st inst. 5 p.m.

SUNDAY 22nd Feb.

Swatow—Per HAINUM, 22nd Feb. 9 a.m.

Swatow Amoy and Formosa via Tamsui—Per DAIJIN MARU, 22nd inst. 9 a.m.

Straits, Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, Sourabaya—Per HOKUTO MARU, 22nd inst. 9 a.m.

TUESDAY 24th Feb.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAITAN, 24th Feb. 10 a.m.

Shanghai & North China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States, S. America, via San Francisco (Europe via Siberia)—Per KOREA, 24th inst. 10 a.m.

Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Marseilles (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents). Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.—Per MACELLAN, 24th inst. 11 a.m.

Philippine Is.—Per TEAN, 24th 3 p.m.

THURSDAY 26th Feb.

Shanghai and North China—Per LUCHOW, 26th inst. 3 p.m.

FRIDAY 27th Feb.

Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania & New Zealand via Port Darwin—Per EMP-PIRE, 27th Feb. 9 a.m.

SATURDAY 28th Feb.

Straits, Borneo, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Marseilles (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon. Extra Postage 10 cents). Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.—The Parcel mail will be closed on Friday the 27th inst. 5 p.m.—Per ABAYE, 28th inst. 11 a.m.

Philippine Islands—Per LOONGSANG, 28th inst. 1 p.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

C. Olansky, R.R. s.s. 2,350, 17th inst.—Odessa, 29th inst. G.M.—B. & C. P. R.

E. of Russia, R.R. s.s. 8,789, W. Davidson, 18th inst.—Vancouver, Gen.—C. P. R.

Goeben, Ger. s.s. 3,109, Ahlborn, 16th inst.—Shanghai, 14th inst. Gen.—M. & Co.

Haiching, Br. s.s. 1,267, Paramore, 18th inst.—Swatow, 17th inst. Gen.—D. L. & Co.

Holchow, Br. s.s. 992, McCulloch, 18th inst.—Weihaiwei, 12th inst. Gen.—B. and S.

Hyson, Br. s.s. 6,607, J. A. Taylor, 17th inst.—Shanghai, 14th inst. Gen.—B. and S.

Jinsen Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,347, T. Torada, 17th inst.—Moji, 12th inst. Gen.—Cement—N. Y. K.

Patricia, Ger. s.s. 1,466, Boorden, 17th inst.—Hamburg, 14th inst. Gen.—N. Y. K.

Rangoon Maru, Jap. s.s. 3,188, Date, 18th inst.—Singapore, 12th inst. Gen.—N. Y. K.

Rubi, Am. s.s. 1,408, J. Miller, 18th inst.—Manila, 15th inst. Gen.—S. T. & Co.

Theroux, Br. s.s. 6,300, J. W. Smallwood, 17th inst.—Singapore, 12th inst. Gen.—B. and S.

Yuen-sung, Br. s.s. 1,123, H. Rolfe, 17th inst.—Manila, 14th inst. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

DEPARTED.

February 17.

Shanghai for Shanghai

Saibu Maru for Anping

Sabine Rickmers for Canton

Haiching for Fochow

Knifong for Haiphong

Coo-yang for Canton

Math'os for Haiphong

Nyama for London

Go-yuen for Shanghai

Shanghai for Shanghai

Sabine Rickmers for Tamsui

CLEARANCES AT THE
HARBOUR OFFICE.

February 18.

Rangoon Maru for Kobe

Hainum for Swatow

Tam'ing for Ho'lo

Tamon Maru No. 1 for Saigon

Danichi Maru for Wakamatsu

Yehiyo Maru for Dairen

C. Aulagnor for Vancouver

Bellerophon for Vancouver

Thraning for Saigon

Hongkong for Haiphong

Hauoi for Haiphong

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per s.s. Goeben from Kobe etc., on the 16th inst.—P. Gracchi, Capt. Kiddie, H. K. Conrad, Dobe, A. Ashton, P. L. E. B. A. B. L. F. Alder, P. L. A. R. A. K. R. & Mrs. Hyndman.

Per s.s. E. of Russia from Vancouver etc., on the 18th inst.—Mrs. and Miss W. D. Hopcraft, Mrs. and Miss M. A. Billings, Sam. Koo, Chong Fat-jun, Mrs. S. P. Mead, Mr. & Mrs. W. W. Payne, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Dixon, Ben. Cohn, Dr. Chas. G. Harner, Mr. and Mrs. P. Ferry, Miss M. Lindsay, Miss Green, The Hon. Alice Brand, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Burns, A. Akiyama, Miss B. Gillam, S. W. Ho, F. A. Marriott, Mrs. Marriott, Sir R. Dane, W. L. Thompson, Tan Tai-to, Mubier, Chow, Tingman, J. H. Millen, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Turner, Rumpel, H. A. Hsu, Dr. J. C. McCracken.

Per s.s. Rubi from Manila on the 18th inst.—Mrs. E. C. Handery, Mrs. Myers, Mr. and Mrs. O. Cocco.

SHIPS PASSED THE CANAL.

London, 6th Feb.

Arrivals from China—Atsuta Maru, First Bulow, Altmark, Iatris.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—Nelson, Paul Leat.

Arrivals from China—Ision, Nippon.

Paul Leat.

The following vessels have passed the Canal—E. Marty, Candia, Koerber, Prinz Eitel, Friedrich, Yeddo, Baron Driesen, Baron Jedburgh.

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 18th at 10.45.—The northern anticyclone has strengthened. It is now central near Vladivostok. The Chinese depression is moving eastward. It is now central over the Eastern Sea.

The depression over Annam has not developed.

Variable winds and squally weather are indicated along the east coast of China, and moderate southerly winds over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District Forecast.

1 Hongkong and Neighbourhood—S. winds, moderate; fair.

2 Formosa Channel—Variable winds, squally.

3 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamook—The same as No. 1.

4 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan—The same as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register, 18th February, a.m.

Station Hour Barometer Temperature Humidity Wind Force Weather

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Yemuro 6a 30.08 30 nw 3

Hakodate 30.17 30 nw 3

Foko 30.15 30 nw 6

Kook 30.17 30 ne 1

Nagasaki 30.05 30 ne 2

K'ah'na 30.06 30 ne 3

Ohir' 30.01 30 se 6

Manila 30.07 30 se 5

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